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THE PRESS ON THE CONGRESS.

"The Boston Evening Transcript."

THE UNITED STATES AT THE LONDON CONGRESS,

JULY 14-19.

The list of delegates from the American Peace Society was as follows:

Hon. David Dudley Field, New York city, N. Y.; Hon. Robert Treat Paine, Boston, Mass.; Hon. J. Q. A. Brackett, Arlington, Mass.; Hon. Philip C. Garrett, Philadelphia, Pa.; S. A. Kean, Chicago, Ill.; Augustine Jones, Providence, R. I.; Robert A. Woods, Pittsburg, Pa.; Otis McGaw Howard, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. Rowland B. Howard, Boston, Mass.; Rev. A. A. Miner, D. D., Boston, Mass.; Rev. Philip S. Moxom, D. D., Boston, Mass.; Rev. Reuen Thomas, D. D., Brookline, Mass.; Rev. Charles B. Smith, West Medford, Mass.; Rev. S. F. Dyke, D. D., Bath, Me.; Rev. M. McG. Dana, D. D., Lowell, Mass., Rev. J. N. Allen, Cambridge, Mass.

Nine of the above-named gentlemen were present and participated in the Congress, which made Hon. David Dudley Field president and Rev. R. B. Howard one of the vice-presidents and the member of the "bureau" or, as we would say, "executive committee" from the United States. Rev. Dr. Thomas preached a very able sermon, Wednesday evening, at the City Temple, London, and delivered an address at the closing banquet, Saturday evening. Mr. Augustine Jones served on two committees and made a public address. Rev. C. B. Smith read a synopsis of his paper on "The Brotherhood of Man," on Tuesday, and Rev. R. B. Howard, a paper on "The Conditions of Disarmament" on Thursday, and at the closing session proposed the United States for the congress of 1893, to be held in connection with the Columbian Exhibition, which proposition was promptly and eloquently seconded by Prof. Thomas L. Page, LL. D., of Richmond, Va., and enthusiastically received. Mr. Howard also preached at Stamford Hill Congregational Church Thursday evening, and at the New Tabernacle, Shoreditch, Sunday, July 20, at Watford, July 27, at Llandrindod, Wales, Aug. 3, and attended the Inter-Parliamentary Conference at the Hotel Métropole July 22, 23, by the invitation of the secretary, W. R. Cremer, M. P., and also the closing banquet at the same hotel, where addresses were made by Sir Lyon Playfair, Hon. Shaw Lefevre, Hon. D. D. Field, and others. The Conference was entirely distinct from the Congress in organization, but was called for similar objects, and constituted in part by the same members. Dr. Moxom of Boston made several brief and pointed addresses in the Congress, and together with Drs. Hamlin, Braislin of New York, Murkland and Grammer of Baltimore, and Boardman of Philadelphia addressed an immense, public meeting at Charrington's Hall, Mile End Road, London.

The other organizations represented were: The Universal Peace Union of Philadelphia, by Mrs. Belva Lockwood of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Levi K. Joslin of Providence, R. I. The New England yearly meeting of Friends sent as delegates, James L. Chace of Providence, R. I. (brother of Senator Chace), and his wife. The New York yearly meeting sent Richard S. Collins and wife and James Wood; the World's Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. Sarah Collins of New York. Mr. Joslin presented a paper on "The Teaching

of History," and made several brief addresses. Mrs. Lockwood delivered a spirited address on "Schemes of Disarmament." The Christian Peace and Arbitration Society of Philadelphia sent its president, Rev. G. D. Boardman, D. D., who was a member of the committee on procedure, and made a brief address at the lord mayor's reception; also its secretary, John B. Wood, who by personal effort secured a large delegation from Washington, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Richmond, Va., New York and other places, through union meetings of churches. Among the latter were Isaac Sharpless, president of Haverford College, Philadelphia; Benjamin Trueblood, president of Penn College, Oskaloosa, Io.; Hon. John P. Branch, Hon. J. Taylor Elyson, proprietor of the *Dispatch*; Rev. W. A. Campbell, D. D. (Presbyterian), and several others of Richmond, Va., and Mr. George W. Minier of Chicago, who submitted a paper on the duties of ministers as to peace and war.

Rev. W. U. Murkland, D. D. (Presbyterian), and Rev. J. E. Grammer, D. D. (Episcopalian), who were active in all the meetings, were from Baltimore; Rev. T. S. Hamlin, D. D., President Harrison's pastor (Presbyterian), Washington, D. C.

The resolutions, discussions and many of the papers are to be published after revision in a memorial volume, which may be ordered from 47 New Broad St., London. The most notable occasions, besides the regular sessions at Westminster Town Hall were the ladies' reception, called a "Conversazione," the first evening, and Mr. Passmore Edwards' dinner at the National Liberal Club, the largest club (6000) in the world, and with one of the finest buildings. This was really a press dinner. Mr. Edwards being, according to his own statement, probably the proprietor of the largest number of newspapers in the world. The lord mayor's official reception at Egyptian Hall, London Mansion House, with an address by President Field, the Marquis of Bristol, M. Frederick Passy, member of the Institute of France and others. The visit to Windsor Castle on Saturday by special permission of the Queen, as the castle is closed to visitors on Saturdays—and the farewell banquet at Holborn restaurant, at which M. Moneta, editor and proprietor of *El Secolo* of Milan, the chief daily paper of Italy; Don Marcoartu of the Spanish Cortes and others, responded to toasts. Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Germany, France, Austria, Switzerland, Italy and Belgium sent worthy representatives to the Congress. The United States had no reason to blush for her delegation. None, except that from England was so numerous. It was honored with important trusts and creditably discharged its duties.

OUR PENSION OUTLAY.

The pension appropriations made so far by the present House, according to representative Henderson of Iowa, aggregate \$167,419,731. The items are these: Regular pension bills, \$98,427,461; urgent deficiency, \$21,613,009; soldiers' homes (deficiency), \$81,609; artificial limbs (deficiency), \$60,000; pay and bounty claims, \$1,123,629; soldiers' homes, \$2,601,765; aid for State homes, \$400,000; artificial limbs, \$402,000; expension office, \$2,439,150; records and pension division, War Department, \$837,270; Act for total helplessness, \$45,000; general pension Act (recently passed), \$35,000,000; urgent deficiency, \$3,708,888; total, \$167,419,731.